

# THE OUTCROP.

Devoted to the Mining and Development of the Windermere and Golden Divisions of the District of North East Kootenay.

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## DISTRICT CROPPINGS

### And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

The Columbia River Lumber Company's new store and warehouses at Atholmer are almost completed. The store is 30x24 feet and under the same roof is a warehouse 24x40 feet. The year of this building is right at the river's edge, which permits of freight being loaded off the steamer into the warehouse. A substantial sidewalk has been constructed from this building a couple of hundred feet along the river to the other warehouse, which has a floor space 24x70 feet and adjoins the wharf. Both buildings are good substantial structures and are a credit to their big town. The construction of these buildings have more than the ordinary significance attached to them, in that it indicates, at least to some extent, the permanency of the lumber industry in this vicinity. These warehouses are being built to accommodate the supplies for the various lumber camps located on the different creeks, from which they will be the center, and it is judged from their size and the amount of freight already brought up this stream for the company, that a very large force men will be employed this fall and winter. It was stated sometime ago that between 400 and 500 would be given employment in the lumber camps next season and it would seem by the plans now under way that such will be the case.

Frank Cottle returned last week from No. 3 creek, where he has been doing some development work on the Steele group of mineral claims. This group extends right over the low summit on the north side of the creek. A tunnel driven in on the northern end of the group crooked the lead and showed up three feet of solid galena of a good grade. The work just finished is on the southern end of the group and near the summit, showing up a very fine body of ore of about the same grade as found in the tunnel mentioned. The Steele group adjoins the Lead Queen and the same ledge has been traced the entire length of the two properties, containing seven claims.

C. M. Kemp, who is here in the interests of the Silver Belt Mining Co., left on last stage for Cranbrook last week, the office of the company. A meeting of the stockholders will be called for August 25th to see if any thing can be done to take care of the mortgage against the company. He made the statement that the company was very willing to give a lease on all or any part of the property to any one not excluding any stockholder, who cares to try it.

It is said that the game warden has received instructions to stringently enforce the game laws and in some places in Kootenay this has been done and men have paid the full penalty. Of course, this will never be the case here. It would be an insult to the whole community to even suggest that any person went shooting out of season.

R. S. Gallop has returned from the South Fork of Horse Thief creek, where he has been new cutting out the trail, and reports that the trail is now in better shape than it ever was, although it cost him in the neighborhood of \$200. He has now put the men to work on his claims and will do a considerable amount of development work.

The Star says the Golden smelter is preparing for another trial run.

Let Mr. Cameron know if you have anything worth showing at the Dominion Exhibition.

J. C. Morrison, D.D.L., will be in Wilmer and Windermere on dates to be posted up, on or about Sept. 1st, and during the two weeks following, fully prepared to do all kinds of Crown and Bridge Work.

Golden is preparing for the biggest celebration it has ever yet billed, which will take place on Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 18th and 19th. It is expected a big crowd will attend from this end of the valley.

John Semple, who has been suffering with throat trouble for several months, left Atholmer by Monday's train to seek the advice of a specialist. His many friends hope he may soon return in good health.

The scheme to irrigate 35,000 acres of good land west of Wilmer is still being worked out and from all that can be learned the chances of its realization are now most favorable. It is expected that within the next few weeks the C. P. R. Land Co. will have full particulars of the survey made last spring laid before them and will decide upon what is to be done in the matter.

J. G. Whitacre and E. J. Cann, representing the Mason & Rich Piano Co., came up from Cranbrook last week in the interest of that company. They are much surprised at the extent of this valley and greatly pleased with their trip. Mr. Whitacre is interested in land in the Okanagan, but is quoted as saying that he thought this country a better one and that there is more arable land here.

"The Giant," a neat little gasoline yacht recently launched at Golden by Capt. Canlie, arrived at Windermere on Monday with a party of guests, consisting of Messrs J. E. Griffith, C. A. Warren, Thos. O'Brien, J. G. Ulack, Mr. Carlin, F. W. Jones and C. A. Blacklock. E. N. Russell captained the craft, while W. G. Gould was chief engineer. From all accounts the party were having a great, big time.

J. Allard met with a very painful accident last Friday at Boise. It appeared he was getting over a fence and had put his gun over, leaning it against the top rail. As he grasped the top rail he stepped on the lowest rail, causing it to break down, and it is supposed that as it went down it struck the gun and discharged it. The full charge entered the back of Mr. Allard's hand, shattering it badly. Dr. R. Elliot was telephoned for and when he arrived found it necessary to amputate the hand, taking off all the fingers and leaving only the thumb.

Quite a number of fruit growers in the valley have been experimenting and have come to the conclusion that berry bushes and fruit trees will do much better on the sub-soils than on "bottom" land. It is claimed that good bottom land is too rich for them and that the bushes and trees grow too much wood, deteriorating the quality and quantity of the fruit raised. A reporter was shown some bushes in a Wilmer garden the other day that bears out this contention. The bushes were planted in bottom land at regular distances apart, but had grown so densely that they looked more like a hedge than anything else and the fruit was small and comparatively scarce. In another Wilmer garden the same good care had been given some bushes, with, perhaps, less pruning, but they were planted on a siltbank, and the difference was at once apparent. The bushes were fairly loaded with fruit and there was so much rank wood growth, which allowed the sun to shine upon the fruit. When both gardens were visited the same care was given and the fruit was small and comparatively scarce. In another Wilmer garden the same good care had been given some bushes, with, perhaps, less pruning, but they were planted on a siltbank, and the difference was at once apparent. The bushes were fairly loaded with fruit and there was so much rank wood growth, which allowed the sun to shine upon the fruit. When both gardens were visited the same care was given and the fruit was small and comparatively scarce.

## K. C. R. RUMORS

Actual railway construction news continues scarce, but many rumors are rife, and some of them are regarded as being reasonable and possibly true.

The small force of men put to work grading last month are reported to be still at work. This, of course, is regarded as being done only for the purpose of complying with the conditions of the subsidy.

A private letter received in Wilmer from a prominent Golden business man states that a rumor, apparently well-founded, is in circulation there that within a month a big force of graders will be put to work and construction pushed as rapidly as possible.

Another report hails from Calgary to the effect that Messrs. Breckenridge & Lund, the well-known contractors, have been awarded a contract to build 40 miles of the K. C. R. and that they will move their men and outfit to Golden so soon as they have finished a contract they are working at on the irrigation ditch near Calgary. This report has been persistently pushed forward during the past two weeks and is strengthened by the arrival of a man from Calgary, who states he was informed that this was a fact while in that city.

## MUST KEEP OUT PESTS

### Fruit Growers are Advised to Buy B.C. Stock

The Provincial Board of Horticulture is making strong recommendations to fruit growers throughout the province to purchase their nursery stock at home. Everywhere the stock grown in British Columbia has produced better results than any that has been imported.

T. G. Earl and T. Cunningham of the Board are making a tour of the Kootenays officially and it is hoped they will find time to visit the Columbia Valley. These gentlemen have already been at Nelson and the News says that: "Mr. Cunningham said: 'We are on an official trip. We began at Kamloops, where conditions are fairly good, in spite of drought. We went down the Skeena branch to the Kimberly west of Kootenay, where we saw an unpleasant but very instructive sight. Side by side are two fruit ranches. The owner of one put in last year 300 three-year-old fruit trees from Ontario; he has lost 275. The other put in 250 yearling trees from the Webster nursery at Vernon; he has lost none. The Ontario trees cost 15 cents each more than the others.'"

"Fruit importers complain that our restrictions work a hardship on them, since shippers will forward fruit to the ports of entry only at the importers' risk. The only answer to that is that the interest of the public is higher and greater than that of the importer. We cannot suffer insects, fruit to come into this country and contaminate our own, which is still comparatively clean. Nearly all the fruit that comes here from Washington is diseased. The Spokane shippers are the worst offenders in this respect. It is an exception to find fruit from Spokane free from disease and of good quality."

"We shall not relax our efforts. The Board of Horticulture is resolved to enforce its regulations strictly. 'Next week Mr. Earl and I will visit East Kootenay and Shewan districts and probably hold meetings.' M. J. Henry, the Vancouver nursery man, in sending a change of crops for his advertisement to the Outcrop remarks: 'If people want to say some person is putting about 100 per cent more for their trees than I quote, I have got to let them. If they buy out of sympathy for

some local agent, why not put their hands in their pockets and give him \$5 outright, they would save money by it. It looks as if the average rancher preferred to have some slick agent call and charge him about four prices for his trees, rather than sit down and decide an order and buy direct. Barmen said that people like to be humbugged and he liked to do it, and I believe he was right for he sold north two millions. I notice that of two car loads of Missouri grown trees that arrived here for a Victoria agent, one was condemned and sent back on account of scale, and I imagine one of your people have been fooled by this agent. I may also say that I was one of the first ones to put up my land and license to sell nursery stock.'"

Mr. Henry is a thorough believer in advertising and he never employs any agents, claiming that it is better and cheaper for his customers as well as for himself. He argues from many years' experience that it costs a great deal of money to send out agents, who carry little for reputation and look only to the commission they make, and that his customers have the advantage of this sort of dealing in their local paper his ad. and selecting from his catalogue the goods they want, which enables him to build up a solid business and a good reputation by filling orders promptly with the best stock and seeing they are delivered in good order.

In publishing the foregoing The Outcrop has only in view the interests of those of our readers who are now later entering themselves in fruit growing. It is very evident that in the older fruit countries the selection of fruit trees has become a very serious matter and that orchardists have lost thousands of dollars by not being more careful in their selections. The orchardists here, therefore, may do well by taking advantage of the experiences of those in other parts. To put it mildly they should display the greatest caution and carefully consider the reputation of the nurserymen they are dealing with before placing an order for fruit trees.

## Mining Records.

The following records have been made at the Wilmer Mining Recorder's office: ASSAYS.

Aug. 19—Black Jack, on Boulder creek, by C. Proyer.  
Aug. 19—Tossie Jacks and Customs, on Spring and Boulder creeks, by David Angus.  
Aug. 19—Stake No. 2, on No. 3 creek, by Frank O'Brien.  
Jan. McLeod started out with a clear cut on the Boulder creek last

## A Toronto Party Arrive

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hammond, Miss Ryan, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Bone arrived in Wilmer on Friday's train from Toronto and are the guests of Mr. R. B. Bruce. The party since their arrival have been visiting the various points of interest in the valley and enjoying a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan are relatives of Mr. Andrew Green of this place, whom they had not met for many years. Mr. Ryan is contemplating the advisability of buying some land here as he is greatly pleased with all he has seen.

Mr. Bone is here for the purpose of conferring with Mr. Bruce concerning the proposed irrigation of the 35,000 acres of land west of Wilmer, and is an expert engineer of experience in such matters.

Mr. Hammond is well known here, having visited this valley nearly every summer for the past twelve or more years. He has extensive mining interests here, and besides owning many other properties is the principal owner of the Paradise mine. Tomorrow he will visit the Paradise and before returning to town will go to see the big strike in the Nettie M.

The party expect to leave here on the steamer Monday morning.

Is your exhibit ready in the Dominion Exhibition?

Zinc ore has advanced \$3 a ton. Prospects no longer need deny that they carry this metal.

Judge Milner of Portland, Oregon, knows a good thing when he sees it. He's reported as saying British Columbia is the greatest mining country in the world.

Dr. W. B. Whipple returned last week from examining the Black Prince and White Cat groups of claims, on Boulder creek, evidently very much pleased with all he saw.

E. F. Karth and Geo. Chamberlain returned to town last week, having retained the main North Fork trail from Foley road to beyond where the Delphine mine trail joins it, and report it to be in good condition.

The grandest scenery in the world is marred just now by the smoke from forest fires. As has been remarked a few times in these columns the Government really ought to protect our forests in some way.

All Wilmer Rifle Association members desiring to compete for the Wells Cup are requested to be on the range and shoot on one of the following days, Aug. 21st, Sept. 5th or 11th. The ranges will be the 200, 300 and 600 yards.

F. L. Snook and Glas Palmer started up McDonald creek on Saturday with a team and pack animals to bring down several car loads of ore from the Tecumseh mine. The former brought the first load down to the Wilmer river landing on Tuesday.

It is stated that J. H. Walsh and B. Jackson have given an option on their ranch near Windermere to Toronto people and that the deal is about to be closed. This is acknowledged to be one of the best ranches in the valley and the price asked is said to be well up in the thousands.

J. N. Barlow has now packed down the North Fork a car load of ore from the B. C. and Wilmer to Foley road. P. McLaughlin mined last fall and has started two bring down two more car loads mined this season by C. Fitzsimmons, who has a force of men at work and taking care of it. As usual with mining, there is a great deal of work to be done before the ore can be brought down.

## NETTIE M. IMPROVING

### More High Grade Ore Found on Recent Strike

The rich strike made by Messrs. Washburn and Stark on the Nettie M. group, up Tully creek, is improving as development work proceeds. Where the first strike was made 15 inches of high grade ore was exposed and work on it is proving quite satisfactory. About 200 feet farther up the hill the ledge has been exposed, showing up 10 inches of the same ore. At another point a tunnel has been started and a streak of grey copper three or four inches wide has been encountered in the bottom, and is 14 inches wide in places in the roof of the tunnel. The development is being watched with the greatest interest as this is the widest ledge of high grade ore yet discovered in this camp. Another important feature of the strike is that the ledge has been followed right down to the creek bottom and the work done so far is only a few hundred feet above the creek. Thus it is easy to get great depths by tunnelling and so far as prospecting has been concerned it appears the ledge runs up over the mountain. It is stated that the one-third interest acquired by Mr. Bruce was obtained for Mr. H. C. Hammond, of Toronto, who is here now and has intimated that he will personally visit the property this week. This being the case it is seen that the owners have ample capital to fully handle the property in good shape. It is the intention to ship a car load of the ore before navigation closes as a snifter test.

## Zinc Investigation Points

An Ottawa despatch says: Acting upon the recommendation of H. Haanel, superintendent of mines, the Minister of Interior, Hon. Frank Oliver, has decided to have an expert investigation made into the character and extent of zinc deposits of British Columbia. It is not yet known for certain who the expert to have charge of the investigation will be, but the thorough manner in which the inquiry into the system of electric smelting in Europe was carried on by Dr. Haanel is a guarantee that the highest talent will be employed. It is only that Prof. W. R. Ingalls of New York's one of the best known zinc experts on the continent, will be the man selected by the Dominion Government.

The points to be determined by the expert are briefly as follows: 1. Examination of the present development of mines and approximate determination of tonnage of ore immediately available; 2. Occurrence and character of ore and future prospects, together with cost of mining; 3. Examination of the present methods of mining; 4. Investigation of adaptability of the ore to the new methods, concentrates, magnetic, electrostatic and so forth; 5. Study of conditions affecting marketing of concentrates, including question of smelting in provinces or elsewhere in Canada; 6. Investigation of the possibility of utilization of zinc ore with silver content.

W. J. Geipel, Provincial Inspector of all mines, spent the most of last week in this vicinity, inspecting the Government officers and looking after some of his personal interests. Last year he was involved in a ranch near the Upper Columbia lake.

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### Croppings

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Miss McNaughton arrived by Monday's stage from Okanagan Landing to take charge of the Wilmer Public School.

The wise prospector will do big assessment this year and be ready to sell when he sees the iron-horse next year.

Miss M. Hickson and Miss Mary Hickson, who arrived at Canterbury from Montreal a couple of weeks ago to view this valley, left last week.

Every man owes it to himself and his family to master a trade or profession. Read the display advertisement of the six Morse Schools of Telegraphy, in this issue and learn how easily a young man or lady may learn telegraphy and be assured a position.

Since the Golden Star's editor made his last trip up this valley he has got wise. Just listen to what he said last week: "Fellow pilgrim, bear in mind that Golden is the gateway to one hundred miles of the grandest scenery on the continent." Come again Star and you will change the last word to "world".

The Vancouver World is up against a lot of trouble. The B. C. Christian Endeavor convention passed a resolution denouncing the World's Sunday edition and agreeing to boycott that paper. As a matter of fact there is more work done on Sunday for a Monday paper than there is for a Sunday paper, which shows how very little good these people really endeavor to accomplish for what they would make others believe is right.

An important strike of high grade galena has been made in the lower tunnel of the Stenwinder, near Kimberley. The strike was made at a depth of probably 1,200 or 1,500 feet under the lower levels of the North Star, and nearly as much below the Sullivan. What this will mean for the two great properties mentioned is almost beyond telling. It will have the direct effect of inducing extensive sinking on both mines, with every prospect of successful results.—Canadian Herald.

### NOTICE

The Silver Belt mineral claim and the Carbonate Fraction mineral claim will be sold at the Court House in Cranbrook, B. C., on Sept. 1st, 1905.  
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